

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated November 17, 2006, extended three months having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 17, 2007. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 35-45 remain pending in the application after entry of this response. Claims 1-34 have been cancelled by Applicant. Claim 20 stands rejected by the Examiner. Claim 20 has been cancelled. New claims 35-45 have been added. Reconsideration of the pending claims is requested for reasons presented below.

Claim Objections

Claim 20 is objected to because of the following informalities: line 3, "the first elongated housing" should be --the first elongated housing section--. Claim 20 has been cancelled. Removal of objection is therefore requested.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S. C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Bryson* (U.S. 4,610,394). Claim 20 has been cancelled. Removal of objection is therefore requested.

Patentability of New Claims

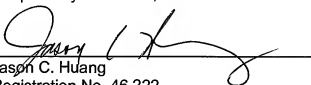
New claims 35-45 have been added. No new matter has been added. The new claims incorporate subject matter proposed by the Examiner. Primarily the new claims include the specific recitation of an ampoule. That is, the claims are directed to the combination of an ampoule opener and an ampoule. *Bryson* is directed to a molded dispensing container, and the earlier claims were believed to be readily distinguishable from *Bryson*; nevertheless, to secure allowance the Applicant has adopted the Examiner's proposal, and expressly incorporated at least one limitation that clearly has no relevance to *Bryson*, namely, an ampoule. The other prior art of record was

distinguished in previously office actions, and those same distinctions apply to the newly added claims.

Conclusion

Having addressed all issues set out in the Final Office Action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed. In conclusion, the references cited by the Examiner, alone or in combination, do not teach, show, or suggest the invention as claimed.

Respectfully submitted,



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